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Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application, as follows:

Inventors: Sitaram Dontu, Faisal Mushtaq, Shreeram Bhide, Michael R. Smith, Ali Golshan
Title: Distributed Forwarding in Virtual Network Devices
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X This Transmittal Letter (1 page) (in duplicate)
30 pages Specification (not including claims)
12 pages Claims
1 page Abstract
14 Sheets of Drawings (*Figures 1; 2A and 2B; 3; 4A and 4B; 4C and 4D; 4E and 4F; 5A; 5B; 6A and 6B; 6C, 6D, and 6E; 6F, 6G, and 6H; 6I, 6J, and 6K; 7; and 8*)
3 pages Declaration For Patent Application and Power of Attorney
1 page Recordation Form Cover Sheet (in duplicate)
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1 page NonPublication Request

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	Title	Distributed Forwarding in Virtual Network Devices
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